EXHIBIT A

Proposed Order

IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

In re:

BIG LOTS, INC., et al.,

Debtors.1

Chapter 11

Case No. 24-11967 (JKS)

(Jointly Administered)

Re: D.I. [●]

ORDER AUTHORIZING THE DEBTORS TO FILE UNDER SEAL THE MOTION OF DEBTORS PURSUANT TO 11 U.S.C. § 105 AND FED. R. BANKR. P. 9019 AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING THE DEBTORS' ENTRY INTO A SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE DEBTORS AND THE INTERCHANGE DEFENDANTS

Upon the motion (the "Motion")² of the Debtors for entry of an order, pursuant to sections 105(a) and 107(b) of the Bankruptcy Code, Bankruptcy Rule 9018, and Local Rule 9018-1, authorizing the Debtors to file under seal and to redact the Confidential Information filed with the Settlement Motion, all as more fully set forth in the Motion; and this Court having jurisdiction to consider the Motion and the relief requested therein pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334, and the *Amended Standing Order of Reference* from the United States District Court for the District of Delaware, dated February 29, 2012; and consideration of the Motion and the requested relief being a core proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 157(b); and venue being proper before this Court pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409; and due and proper notice of the Motion having been provided; and such notice having been adequate and appropriate under the

¹ The debtors and debtors in possession in these chapter 11 cases, along with the last four digits of their respective employer identification numbers, are as follows: Great Basin, LLC (6158); Big Lots, Inc. (9097); Big Lots Management, LLC (7948); Consolidated Property Holdings, LLC (0984); Broyhill LLC (7868); Big Lots Stores - PNS, LLC (5262); Big Lots Stores, LLC (6811); BLBO Tenant, LLC (0552); Big Lots Stores - CSR, LLC (6182); CSC Distribution LLC (8785); Closeout Distribution, LLC (0309); Durant DC, LLC (2033); AVDC, LLC (3400); GAFDC LLC (8673); PAFDC LLC (2377); WAFDC, LLC (6163); INFDC, LLC (2820); Big Lots eCommerce LLC (9612); and Big Lots F&S, LLC (3277). The address of the debtors' corporate headquarters is 4900 E. Dublin-Granville Road, Columbus, OH 43081.

² Capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined herein are defined in the Motion.

circumstances, and it appearing that no other or further notice need be provided; and this Court having reviewed the Motion; and this Court having determined that the legal and factual bases set forth in the Motion establish just cause for the relief granted herein; and it appearing that the relief requested in the Motion is in the best interests of the Debtors, their estates, creditors, and all parties in interest; and upon all of the proceedings had before this Court and after due deliberation and sufficient cause appearing therefor,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

- 1. The Motion is GRANTED.
- 2. The Debtors are authorized, but not directed, pursuant to sections 105 and 107 of the Bankruptcy Code, Bankruptcy Rule 9018, and Local Rule 9018-1, to file the Settlement Motion under seal and to redact the Confidential Information. The Confidential Information shall remain confidential, and shall not be made available to anyone, other than as provided in this Order, without further order of this Court.
- 3. The terms and conditions of this Order shall be immediately effective and enforceable upon its entry.
- 4. In accordance with Local Rule 9018-1, to the extent they have not already, the Debtors shall provide an unredacted version of the Settlement Motion to the Court on a confidential basis.
- 5. Any party authorized, pursuant to this Order, to receive copies of the unredacted Settlement Motion, other than the Court (a) shall confirm to the Debtors (which confirmation may be made via electronic email), prior to receiving copies of the unredacted Settlement Motion, that such party is bound by the terms of this Order and shall at all times keep the Confidential Information strictly confidential and shall not disclose the unredacted Settlement Motion to any

party whatsoever or (b) in the alternative, shall abide by any applicable nondisclosure or confidentiality agreement.

- 6. The Debtors are authorized to take all actions necessary or appropriate to carry out the relief granted in this Order.
- 7. This Court shall retain jurisdiction to hear and determine all matters arising from or related to the implementation, interpretation, or enforcement of this Order.